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Tielsch China Factory

1. The Tielsch china factory at Walbrzych (Waldenburg) (N 50-46, E 16-17), formerly the Waldenburg china factory, adjoins the station and is the only large factory near there. About 1,000 persons are employed; 70 percent are women who are unskilled laborers. Their husbands work, as a rule, in local coal mines where the coal for the kilns is obtained.
2. The china clay, felspar, is imported and cups, saucers, plates, tea sets, dinner sets, and mugs are manufactured in large quantities for the home market.
3. The working hours of the factory are from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with no break. Sandwiches are brought in to the factory and consumed at the workers' desks or benches. A six-day week is in force with only one shift. There is very little absenteeism and any there is is due to illness.
4. All labor is done by hand; there are only a few semiautomatic machines. The factory is equipped with electric lights and central heating.
5. There have been no bottlenecks during the last five years except for a shortage of labor and this is being rectified as intensified production of consumer goods and more exports are being planned. However, unless conditions are improved and salaries increased, both of which are poor at the present time, strikes and sabotage are likely.
6. In the event of war, it is possible that production would be altered to war materials.
7. There is a military guard at the gate and keen scrutiny is made of every workman's card on entry.

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8. The following persons are employed at the factory: Sverding (fnu), political director, and Wolf (fnu), commercial director, both of whom are Party members; Demsky (fnu), technical director; and Norvak (fnu), director for decorating.

Koenigszelt China Factory

9. The Koenigszelt china factory at Jaworzyno Slaska (Koenigszelt) (N 51-55, E 16-28) is located north of the station and has 800 employees. Details of the factory are as for the Tielsch factory (sic). However, there is a stronger military guard.
10. Szymer (fnu) is the political director of the factory and Cholwitzki (fnu) is general manager.

Krister Ching Factory at Walbrzych

11. The Krister china factory at Walbrzych is located 1,000 yards west of the station and has 800 employees. Details of the factory are as for the Tielsch factory (sic).
12. Linda (fnu) is political director of the factory; Silka (fnu) is director for engineering.

Chodziez Factory

13. This factory in Chodziez (N 52-59, E 16-55), about 60 kilometers north of Poznan, is 3,000 north of the station and has 800 employees. Twenty-five percent of the laborers are men, skilled laborers, and 75 percent are women, unskilled. In addition to household chinaware, the factory makes electric insulators: it exports to Russia [redacted]
14. Coal is brought to the factory from the south as there is no local supply.
15. Konopinski (fnu) is general director of the factory, Wakometski is technical director, and Kalinowski (fnu) is political director.

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